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## Cuba Exiles' Raids Called A Cover-Up

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WASHINGTON — New ex-Bay of Pigs leader Manuel He pirate raids on Cuba's coast are a diversion, a smokescreen.

This is the consensus of qualified sources here and in Miami who have watched closely the militant exile movement since the disastrous Bay of Pigs invasion in April, 1961.

Wednesday's attack on a Cuban sugar mill, widely hailed by two exile organizations as a decisive blow against the Castro regime, probably was designed to cover up clandestine operations elsewhere in Cuba.

The Movement for Revolutionary Recovery, headed by

Artimo, and Commando Mambises, another rebel unit, are thought to have close working ties with the Central Intelligence Agency. They may be the only two, out of hundreds of refugee groups, which have CIA backing for military operations.

Their hit-run operations are not designed primarily as punishing attacks on Cuban soil, authoritative sources say. They are thought to be diversionary tactics designed to draw attention away from the infiltration of guerrillas and underground leaders.

One such leader, Manuel Ray, has promised to be back in Cuba by Wednesday. Observers believe armed attacks on Cuba's south coast, coming from Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic or even Haiti, may be feints to enable Ray to slip into Cuba from the north.

Ray's whereabouts is unknown. He may be in Havana, where he hopes to take over the underground he once directed for Prime Minister Fidel Castro.

It is clear that few Cuban raids can occur without CIA sanction.

Whether other raiders have been given the "green light" to resume operations remains to be seen. In the last few days customs authorities in Miami have been returning boats confiscated from exile captains who tried to raid Cuba.